

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: January 21-22, 2004

Reference No.: 2.8b.
Action Item

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Ref: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF CONTRACT AWARD PER RESOLUTION
G-01-21, FOR LOCAL STIP PROJECTS
WAIVER-03-31**

ISSUE:

The California Transportation Commission (Commission) allocated construction funds totaling \$146,000 for two projects in Sierra County shown on the attached list. The implementing agency has been unable to award the contracts and do not anticipate awarding the contracts by their respective deadlines. The attachment shows the details of each project and the delays that have resulted in the extension requests. The project sponsor requests extensions, and the planning agency concurs.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of Transportation's recommendation for each project is shown on the attachment.

BACKGROUND:

Resolution G-01-21, State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Guidelines, adopted by the Commission on July 12, 2001, stipulates that funds allocated for the construction phase of local grant projects are available for contract award for a period of 12 months from the date of allocation. The Guidelines further stipulate that the Commission may approve a waiver to the contract award deadline one time only for up to 20 months in accordance with Section 14529.8 of the Government Code.

Attachment

Time Extension/Waiver – Contract Award
Local Streets and Roads Projects
Program Year 2003/2004

Project #	Applicant County	Extension Amount By Component (\$ in thousands) E&P PS&E R/W CON Total	Number of Months Requested Extended Deadline CT Recommendation
	PPNO		
	Project Description		
	Reason for Project Delay:		
1	County of Sierra		9 months
	Sierra	\$0	
		\$0	1/02/2005
	PPNO: 1L28	\$0	
	Sierra Buttes Road Bridge	\$66	
	Replacement at Reis Ravine	\$66	Support – meets STIP guidelines
	Right-of-way acquisition for the Sierra Buttes Road Bridge project is in progress, but it will not be completed and approval of the Right-of-Way Certification will not be obtained in time to allow for the advertising and award of the construction contract by the deadline of April 2004. In addition, although permit applications were submitted in June 2003, permits are still not in hand to allow for advertising and award of the contract. Due to the uncertain timeline for acquiring permits and an approved Right-of-Way Certification, the County is requesting a 9-month extension of the contract award deadline.		
2	County of Sierra		9 months
	Sierra	\$0	
		\$0	1/02/2005
	PPNO: 1L27	\$0	
	Goodyears Creek Road Bridge	\$80	
	Replacement	\$80	Support – meets STIP guidelines
	The construction contract for the Goodyears Creek Road Bridge Replacement project cannot be advertised and awarded until required permits are received from the Regional Water Control Board, the Corps of Engineers and the Department of Fish and Game. Permit applications were submitted to these agencies in November 2003. Due to the uncertain timeline for process and approval of these applications and the acquisition of these permits, the County is requesting a 9-month extension of the April 2004 contract award deadline.		